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Town council will question well expansion

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point town council whistled through their agenda in short order last week, with the proposed expansion of Canadian Natural Resources Ltd.'s oil operations immediately south of Elk Point the only major topic of discussion.

CNRL is applying to the Alberta Energy Resources Conservation Board (ERCBB) for reduced spacing in the two sections of land flanking Highway 41 and bordered on much of their north side by Highway 646. Currently, the company is allowed to locate one well on each quarter section in that area, and they are asking for the spacing to be reduced significantly, giving CNRL the ability to drill up to 16 wells per quarter.

"The buffer zone really concerns me," Mayor Parrish Tung said, referring to the less than half-mile distance between the proposed drilling area and Elk Point's downtown area. "It could really affect our town." Council agreed to invite CNRL representatives to meet with council in the near future to discuss the matter further.

The mayor hopes to get input from local residents prior to that meeting, and says he hopes they will write out their concerns and drop them off at the town office, or contact the office by phone.

"We as council must ask the questions," Mayor Tung said, agreeing with councillors' comments that the expansion could impact future development in the community.

Funding referred to EDC

Elk Point's Economic Development Committee had asked council for approval of the EDC's intent to donate toward the water spray park and the Eco Centre, but Mayor Tung said those expenditures are entirely up to the EDC.

"Council doesn't have to approve expenditures from their budget," he noted. Funding for the EDC comes from the town's business licenses.

Fire hall price set

With an appraisal of the building in hand, council was ready to set a sale price for the current fire hall, which will be offered for sale when the new facility is ready for use. Council agreed to set the price at \$225,000.

Family Day fun

Council agreed with a suggestion by Mayor Tung that the town should host a noon-hour hot dog barbecue outside the A. G. Ross Arena on Family Day, Monday, Feb. 15. The mayor said that the arena will be open for public skating that day from noon to 3:30 p.m. and the outdoor rink is also available, "so everyone can come and have fun."



Vicki Brooker photo

Hockey Day in Elk Point

Elk Point's youngest stars on ice hosted a five-team tournament on Saturday, as communities across the nation hosted Hockey Day in Canada events with players of all ages competing in this favourite winter sport. More hockey highlights on Page 3.

Canada Day 2010 countdown underway

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

With Canada Day just over five months away, Elk Point Canada Day Committee chair Bernice Capjack and an enthusiastic group got busy last week on plans for the 2010 celebration.

Preliminary work will get underway immediately, as committee secretary-treasurer Deanna Easthope needs a comprehensive outline of the day's activities in place to send to the federal government with the grant application, which must be submitted by the end of February.

This year's Canada Day lineup will be very much like last year's, except for the discontinuation of the house and

yard decorating contest. Comments from last year's windup meeting indicated that the yard beautification portion of the contest could be a possible addition to the agricultural fair format, giving yards an extra five weeks to reach their peak of perfection. The chamber of commerce will be asked to encourage downtown businesses, especially those along the parade route, to decorate their premises for the event. Homeowners are definitely still welcome to show off their Canadian pride with flags and other décor, however the yards will not be judged and no prizes awarded. The contest originally was started to encourage everyone to display a Canadian flag, and Easthope says she hopes residents will continue to do that.

Some minor alterations to the day's timeline are being considered, with the Strong Man competition and Farm Survival Challenge moved ahead slightly so the Canada Day Idol can begin a half-hour earlier and allow everyone to be back outdoors in time to enjoy the fireworks.

An additional outdoor stage performance has been suggested, with the community's teens in mind, and could possibly take place on the chamber of commerce stage also used for pancake breakfast entertainment.

The committee's next meeting has been set for Feb. 18, and Capjack hopes that a number of the details can be confirmed by that time, for inclusion in the all-important grant application.

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Candice Braun competed in the Alberta Games Runoff in December for all of Zone 7. The top two move on to the finals this February. Candice had a great skate, landing both Axels and doing an excellent flying camel. Candice placed third, which makes her an alternate for Winter Games if one of the other competitors cannot make it. Way to go Candice!

Tiffany Smith photo



North East Region Funskate participants were: (back row (left to right) Dennell Anderson (coach), Candice Braun, Kayla Goertzen, Samantha Braun (Canskate coach), Natasha Demers, Vikram Sidhu; middle row (left to right) Mariah Brewer, Anmol Sidhu, Odin Smith, Cinthia Schaap, Aurora Smith, Catherine Nofall, Keanna Radcliffe; front row (left to right) Paige Skarsen and Kaylee Radcliffe.

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By TIFFANY SMITH

Elk Point Skating Club

The North East Region Funskate took place in Camrose this year and was a two-day event on Saturday, Jan. 23 and Sunday, Jan. 24. The Elk Point Skating Club had 14 competitors take part. The kids definitely had a great weekend and had a lot of fun! It was nice to see the support from the parents and various family members that came along to cheer for our skaters. Both rinks were filled with skaters as well as spectators.

"The skaters practiced

very long and hard. It definitely paid off because everyone skated really well this weekend," said junior/senior coach Dennell Anderson. "I am proud of their accomplishments."

"They have also come home with a different perspective on competition and are working extra hard to improve even more," she added.

Samantha Braun is the Canskate coach.

Individual results from the Funskate were as follows:

Keanna Radcliffe - 1st introductory freeskate, 7th introductory elements

Cinthia Schaap - 6th introductory freeskate, 7th introductory elements

Anmol Sidhu - 7th introductory freeskate

Mariah Brewer - 5th introductory freeskate

Vikram Sidhu - 2nd men's primary freeskate

Catherine Nofall - 6th primary freeskate, 6th primary elements

Kaylee Radcliffe - 6th Canskate elements Stage 2

Paige Skarsen - 4th

Canskate elements Stage 2

Odin Smith - 5th Canskate elements Stage 2

Aurora Smith - 4th Canskate elements Stage 1

Kayla Goertzen - 8th pre-preliminary elements, 6th pre-preliminary freeskate

Natasha Demers - 8th bronze interpretive, 8th jr. silver solo dance

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Micro Novices host tournament

By MINOR HOCKEY MOMS
Review Contributors

The past weekend the Elk Point Micro Novice Avalanche hosted a one-day, five-team tournament at the A. G. Ross arena. The weekend was filled with exciting games that were topped off with the Canadian Scrapbooker Ice

Cream shoot out. Each team had the opportunity to participate in the shoot and were later awarded with a "build your own sundae" at the Canadian Scrapbooker Ice Cream Shoot-out booth – a huge tournament favourite! The Avalanche had two strong games against Cold Lake and

Bonnyville with both the defensive lines and the offensive lines playing to their fullest potential. Although the Avalanche came out swinging, the score fell short in their favour for both games. After a weekend filled with hockey the team looks for-

ward to a much-deserved upcoming weekend off.

The Novice 1 squad lost a great game to Vermilion, with first-year player Ethan Tremblay scoring five goals and Hayden Ludlage adding a hat trick. Dylan Ference was amazing in net.

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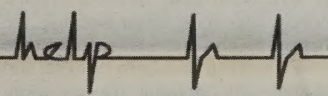
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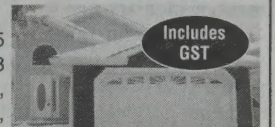
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EDITORIAL

A 'N.I.M.B.Y.' flashback

Back in the early days of this publication, there was considerable debate over the pros and cons of oil exploration and production in the area southeast of Elk Point.

At one point during that debate, we ran an editorial entitled "N.I.M.B.Y. syndrome," commenting that oil development, on the whole, would be beneficial to the counties of St. Paul and Vermilion River in terms of a larger tax base, but detrimental to the quiet rural lifestyle of those who said "Not in my backyard" to the encroachment of industry.

That editorial ran Jan. 16, 1985, 25 years and two weeks ago, and the community has seen considerable growth and development over that time. Would we have seen that progress without the oil? Likely not. Were lives changed in the process? Inevitably.

And now here we are again, but this time, it's not the rural lifestyle that is threatened. We've all gotten used to seeing drilling and service rigs in the fields and oilfield trucks on the highways, of smelling crude oil on the breeze and for some, hearing the sound of pumps and flares. We have also gotten used to the bigger paycheques that involvement with the industry has brought. But now, development will be in our town's backyard.

Once again, concessions and compromise will be essential components if this new development is to take place in a way that works for both industry and residents.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Widening, winning and worrying

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND THE ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF FEB. 2 IN...

1985

Town council met with Alberta Transportation to discuss three alternative plans for the widening of Highway 41 through Elk Point. Members of the Elk Point Community Assessment Committee celebrated the completion of their seven-month project.

1990

Elk Point Pacers men's basketball team realized a long-standing dream during their 16th trip to the North East Alberta Winter Games, where they won gold, while biathlon competitor Dennis Jasinsky Jr. and the F. G. Miller girls' handball team won silver. The North East Alberta Health Unit advised town council that landfill burning must stop due to potential for the release of toxic fumes.

1995

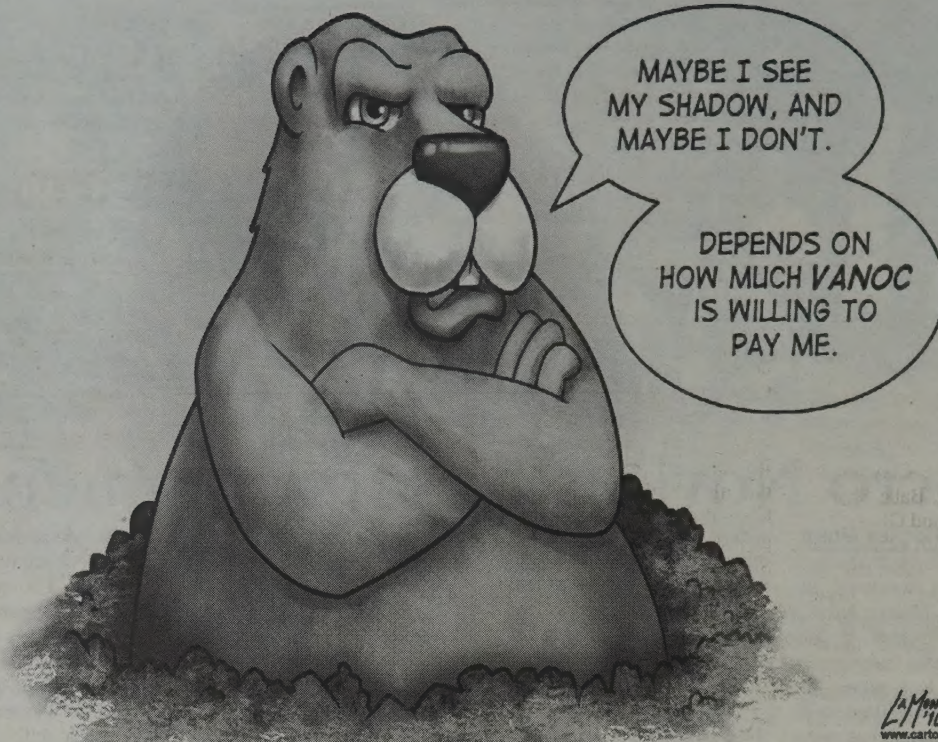
Almost 300 concerned area residents packed the Seniors Recreation Centre in response to a draft paper that indicated Elk Point Hospital was among 10 facilities to be changed from acute care facilities to community health centres in the Lakeland Health Region. Murray Babcock's rink won the grand challenge over Bobby Kinjerski's foursome in the Men's Open Bonspiel.

2000

It was the end of the line for railway service to Elk Point, with closure of the Coronado railroad subdivision, from Waskatenau to Elk Point and Cold Lake, slated to close Oct. 31. Elk Point Elks senior hockey team dug their way out of the league cellar to win their first round of provincial playoff over the Cold Lake Packers.

2005

Leonard Gadowski skipped the Shamrock Valley Enterprises #1 rink to his second Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel grand challenge win in two years, edging out Dale Swripa and the National Oilwell crew by a single point. Al Pankiw was named Oilman of the Year at the banquet.



GUEST COLUMN

Shadow or no shadow

Today, Feb. 2, is Groundhog Day. Is spring around the corner or, will we have six more weeks of winter?

Tradition states that one must observe a groundhog's burrow on this day. If the groundhog emerges and fails to see its shadow because the weather is cloudy, winter will soon end; however, if the groundhog sees its shadow because the weather is bright and clear, it will be frightened and run back into its hole, and the winter will continue for six more weeks.

So, what is the origin of Groundhog Day? When German settlers arrived in the 1700s, they brought a tradition known as Candlemas Day, which has an early origin in the pagan celebration of Imbolc. It came at the mid-point between the Winter Solstice and the Spring Equinox. Superstition held that if the weather was fair, the second half of winter would be stormy and cold. For the early Christians in Europe, it was the custom on Candlemas Day for clergy to bless candles and distribute them to the people in the dark of winter. A lighted candle was placed in each window of the home. The day's weather continued to be important. If the sun came out Feb. 2, halfway between winter and spring, it meant six more weeks of wintry weather.

The tradition of Groundhog Day originated in Punxsutawney, Pennsylvania on Feb. 2, 1887. Although the date is often referred to as one of the four quarter days of the year (the midpoints between the spring and fall equinoxes and the summer and winter solstice), it is in fact one of

the cross-quarter days. Indeed, bright clear weather in a North American winter is often associated with very cold temperatures.

In western countries the official first day of spring is approximately six weeks after Groundhog Day; six weeks plus four days (March 20), to be exact. In fact, about 1,000 years ago, before the adoption of the Gregorian calendar and because the day of the equinox drifted while using the Julian calendar, the spring equinox fell on March 16. This is

exactly six weeks after Feb. 2. Assuming that the equinox marked the first day of spring in certain medieval cultures, as it does now in western countries, Groundhog Day occurred exactly six weeks before spring. Therefore, if the groundhog saw his shadow on Groundhog Day there would be six more weeks of winter. If he didn't, there would be 42 more days of winter. In other words, the Groundhog Day/Hedgehog Day tradition may have begun as a bit of folk humor.

Folk humor or not, it is a fun day to note in the middle of winter. So to all the groundhogs we know - Punxsutawney Phil, General Beauregard Lee in suburban Atlanta, Georgia, Warton Willie, Shubenacadie Sam in Nova Scotia and Balzac Billy in Balzac, Alberta, we thank you for making us smile in the middle of the winter days of our lives.

So "Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!" The groundhog did say one of the following:

"As I look around me, a bright sky I see, and a shadow beside me. Six more weeks of winter it will be!" or ... "As I look around me, a cloudy sky I see. Six more weeks till spring it will be!" So there you go everyone. What will be. Thank you, Mr. Groundhog, for reminding us it will take six more weeks to make a change.

Our final question: How often is the groundhog prediction correct? One hundred per cent of the time, of course! Yes, it is going to be either or - winter or spring will be with us!



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from the FCSS desk

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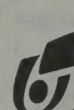
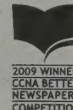
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Olympics coming to Heritage Lodge

By **HEATHER PAQUETTE**
Activity Coordinator

Heritage Lodge rang in the New Year at the New Year's Eve gala on Dec. 31. A great time was had by all. Some of us played games, ate snacks and visited with one another and guests who dropped in.

In January we had our regular activities. Our armchair travel this month took us to Scotland - Robbie Burns' home, followed by happy hour in the afternoon.

January entertainment was provided by Jerry and Friends, Roy, Clayton and the Three Js, Babe Sharkey and Johnny and Gloria.

The month of February will be celebrated by our own Heritage Lodge Olympic Games. On Feb. 1 we had a parade of athletes. Today brings us the Great Groundhog Race. On Feb. 3 the Lodge staff has challenged the Home Care staff

to a Wheelchair Race. The Poulin Brothers will entertain us on Feb. 4. Table Curling will take place Feb. 9, followed by the Resident Wheelchair Races on Feb. 10. We will be celebrating Valentine's Day on Feb. 12 with a "Don't Speak or You'll Lose Your Heart" contest and the Chicken-in-a-Pot Relay Race with lodge staff vs. Home Care staff. That afternoon we will again be chair dancing. Roy and Clayton and the Three Js will entertain us on Feb. 13. Feb. 17 finds residents playing balloon volleyball for the title. On Feb. 18 we will have the Official Olympic game of Rug Dice and Babe Sharkey and his band will be entertaining in the evening. ON Feb. 18, we armchair travel to Hawaii, followed by happy hour in the afternoon. On Feb. 23 we will be playing the Official Games Bean Bag Toss. On Feb. 25,

we have a visit from Personal Touch Fashions and Andy and Friends will play for us in the afternoon.

Because this is such a big event, Elk Point Insurance, B & R Eckels and Elk Point Co-op have donated toward the medals, ATB, TD Canada Trust, Servus Credit Union and Loris Kozina have donated prizes for this fun and thrilling event. The presentation of prizes and medals will take place Friday, Feb. 26 at 10:30 a.m. The community is invited to share with us by watching

our games and cheering for their favourite athletes.

All in all, it looks like a jam-packed month to me. I hope February is fun and interesting for all!

OBITUARY DEMCHUK, Florence Flora



On January 24, 2010, Mrs. Florence Flora Demchuk of Elk Point passed away at the age of 73 years.

She is survived by her loving husband of 45 years, Dan; son & daughter, Lonnie (Michele) of Delburne & Kris (Craig) Dutchak of Alder Flats; 5 grandchildren, Drew, John, Nathan, Denver & Melvin; sister-in-law, Jeanette Frisby; also numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her parents, Charles & Gertrude Frisby; brother, Freddie; 2 infant sisters; & niece, Janice Frisby.

A Funeral Service was held Friday, January 29 at 10:30 a.m. at Yewchin's Funeral Chapel, St. Paul. Pastor Kelly Sibley officiated with interment in Moosewah Cemetery, Lindbergh. If desired, donations may be made to S.T.A.R.S. c/o Box 425, St. Paul, AB T0A 3A0.

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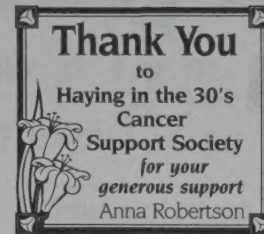
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The family of George Lindquist would like to thank all of our family, friends and neighbors for their sincere acts of kindness shown to us after the recent passing of George, one loved so very much. We are grateful for all the phone calls expressing sympathy, floral arrangements, cards, emails, donations to various charities, food delivered to our house and heartfelt words of sympathy.

We would also like to thank Dr. Oyebody and the staff of Parkview Extended Care for the excellent care given to George during his seven months in residence.

Thank you to John and Caroline Yewchin and your staff for your compassion and professionalism. Thank you to the ladies at the St. Paul Senior Citizens Centre for the lunch served. And thank you to Reverend Lorraine Lambert and all those who participated in making the service so special.

THANK YOU



OBITUARY

MOYAH, Oliver John

On January 25, 2010, Mr. Oliver John Moyah of Frog Lake passed away at the age of 66 years.

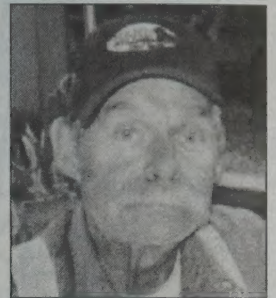
He is survived by 2 sons & 2 daughters, Terry (Lillian) Moyah, Cameron (Mia) Moyah, Priscilla Moyah & Olivia Moyah; 22 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; 6 sisters, Lena Waskahat, Alvina (Harvey) Dufresne, Rita (Vern) Moyah, Sarah Moyah, Ruby (Ronald) Watchmaker & Irene M. Moyah. He was predeceased by his wife, Clara; sons, Rocky & Gary; daughter, Marlene; grandson, Colomen; parents, Emma & Edward; brother, Brian; & nephews, Tony, Paul & Eugene.

A Wake was held Wednesday & Thursday, January 27 & 28 at the Frog Lake Career Centre, Frog Lake. A Funeral Service was held Friday, January 29 at 11:00 a.m. at the Frog Lake Career Centre, Frog Lake. Pastor Wilfred Cross officiated with interment in Our Lady of Good Counsel Roman Catholic Cemetery, Frog Lake.

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OBITUARY

PAANANEN, Larry William



On January 25, 2010, Larry William Paananen of Elk Point, AB passed away at the age of 55 years.

He is survived by his loving wife, Grace; his son, Lorne (Jen) Paananen of Surrey, B.C.; his grandson, Logan; 1 step-daughter, Karen Clement & family; 2 step-sons, Rob & Jane Clement & family & Gordon & Rachel Clement & family; 9 step-grandchildren; 13 step-great-grandchildren; 1 sister & 2 brothers, Laura (John) Curly of South Porcupine, ON, Lorne (Tina) Paananen of St. Paul & Leo (Tracy) Paananen of Stony Plain; also 5 nieces & 2 nephews. He was predeceased by his parents, William & Lahja Paananen.

A Memorial Service was held Sunday, January 31 at 2:00 p.m. at the Elk Point Senior's Centre, Elk Point & Pastor Kelly Sibley officiated. Cremation has taken place. If desired, donations may be made to the charity of one's choice c/o Box 425 St. Paul, AB T0A 3A0.

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February 4 to 6, 2010

Welcome from the EPOA President

Once again in many households an alarming question is asked: "Do you remember where I put my curling broom and shoes?" This could only mean that the Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel is upon us for another year.

This year it happens to be the 27th Annual, the ice has been put in, phone calls are being made to make sure the "team" has time off to partake in the gala event, e-mails flying about to make sure the DJ has been booked, prizes ordered, caterer booked and many last minute, "Oops I forgot that" details have been looked after. Just ask Mitch and Jason when you see them upstairs at the curling rink.

Thanks to them and the rest of the EPOA curling committee, another fun filled event here in town will be had by all, those who are participants and those who just come to watch the new style of slides invented over the last year because all of a sudden we are all hoping we get picked up for the upcoming "OLYMPIC curling team" as spares.

We as an organization want to thank those people that put in many hours behind the scene and do not even attend or partake in the function: Curtis – for making sure the ice is in, Marlene, Sheila and Elaine for keeping us thirsty curlers "watered", to the event sponsors, to the businesses and companies that donate prizes and funds. Without your gracious contributions we would not be able to hold this function.

So to you all, including curlers from far and near thank you very much for helping us make the bonspiel another success.

In closing, we have the courtesy van run by the Elk Point High School Travel Club, please use this luxury for it is there for you all to us.

And on a lighter note, for you "Rider" fans, only four players per team on the ice at one time, and for you "Oiler" fans, your brooms and shoes are in the basement.

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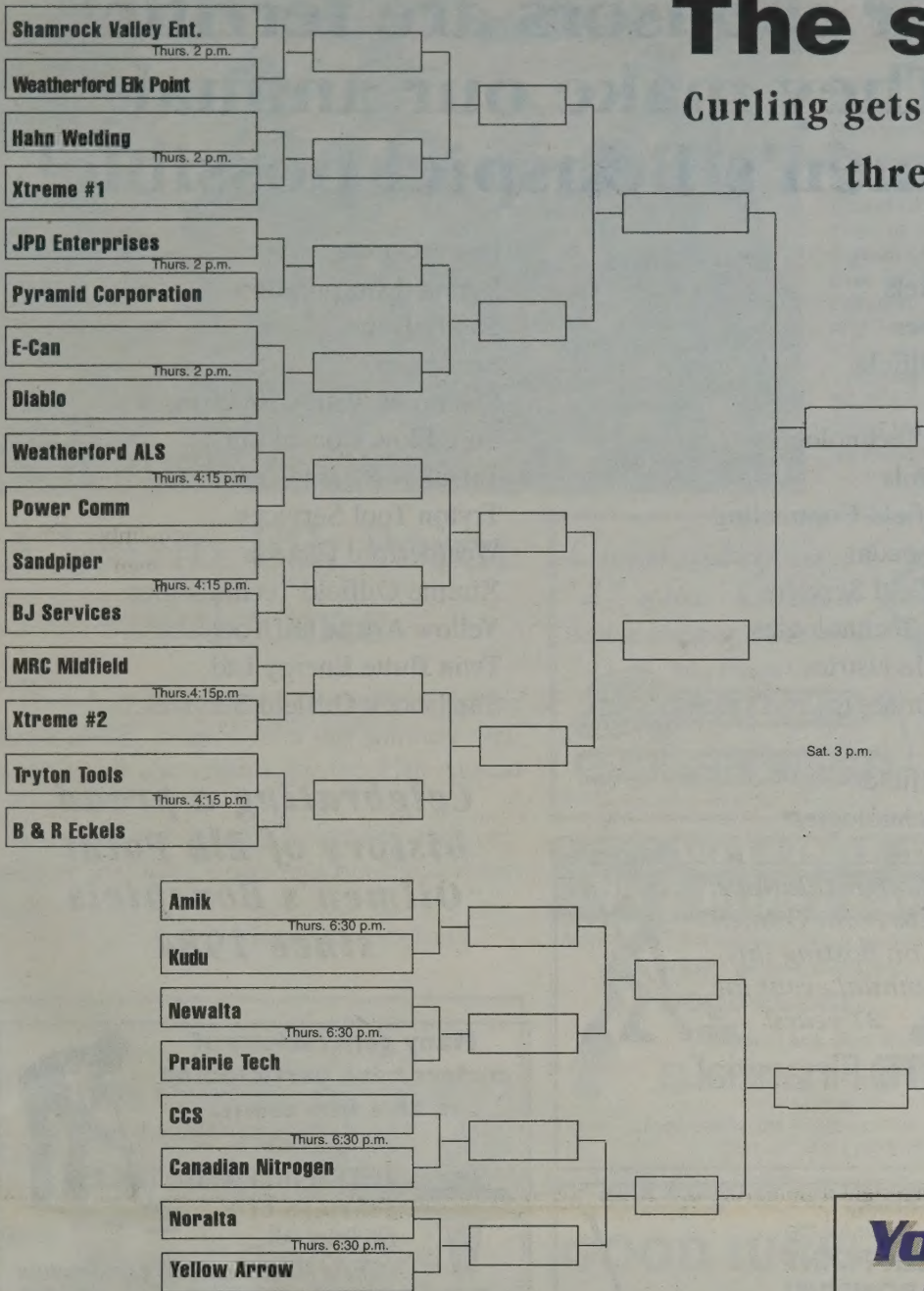
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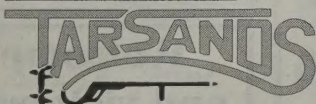
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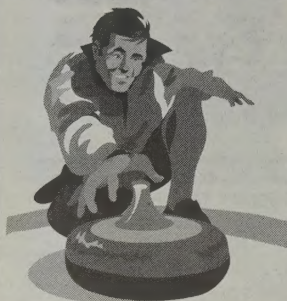
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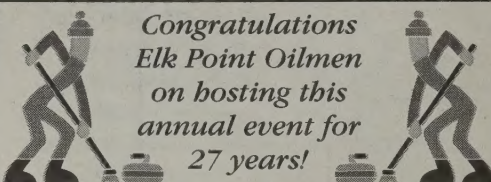
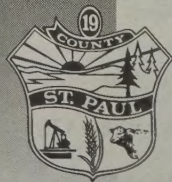
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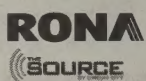
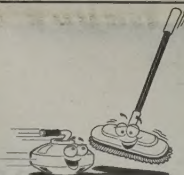


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Vicki Brooker photo



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On behalf of my fellow Councillors and the Town of Elk Point, I offer our warmest welcome to all our visitors for the 27th Annual Oilmen's Bonspiel.

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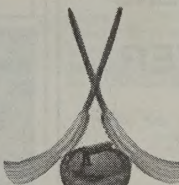
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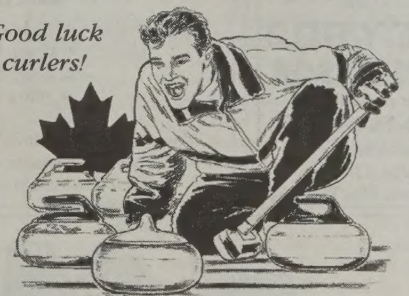
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Hockey news

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Novice 2 had a great game on Sunday, playing the Dewberry Colts and winning 8 - 3 with Spencer Hardcastle in goal, Kaiden Evans, Anderson and Dustyn Pankiw with hat tricks and Devon Nazarchuk with a pair. Conner Lychak was on fire in this one, playing his best ever game on defense, joined by Lyon Cueva and Wolke Cueva. Tammy Roberts did a great job playing forward, as always. Overall they played well and enjoyed their game. Youngest player Eros Cueva is doing great and looking forward to the day he gets his first goal.

The Atom Avalanche played in Cold Lake on Sunday. They were down 3 - 0 at the end of the second period, but in the third, Elk Point came back to win 4 to 3. Brodin Ference scored the first goal, assisted by Chad Poitras, Brody Odgaard, assisted by Brodin Ference scoring the second, and the final two scored by Brodin Ference, assisted by Taylor Pankiw in the tiebreaker.

The Midget Girls Storm traveled to Lloydminster on Saturday, losing 6 - 2, Kelsey Vinge scoring both goals, assisted by Taylor Jenner and Katelyn Roberts in the first and Lindsay MacDonald in the second. Sunday in Vermilion, the Storm suffered another loss, with Tori Becker assisted by Kelsey Vinge and Taylor Jenner assisted by Tori Becker and Kelsey Vinge on Elk Point's side of the score sheet.

The **Bantam Avalanche** were also on the road Sunday, for an exhibition game in Cold Lake that was mercifully cut short when their Zamboni malfunctioned and cut deep gouges in the ice. The Oilers should have gotten so lucky! Danny Garrett and Nathan Yarmuch lit up the lamp in this one.

Girls' knitting @ the library

By DAPHNE SCHNURER
Librarian

We have had some interest for a course in "Knitting for Girls." We would hold it after school for girls age 10 and up. If you are interested, please leave your name with us and once we have six we will determine a day.

Our next adult knitting/crochet/handicraft session is Monday, Feb. 8. The Seniors' Tea is Wednesday, Feb. 10 and the Kids' Craft Night is Wednesday, Feb. 17.

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